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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### EGYPT-SYRIA UNION

THE proclamation of union between Egypt and Syria underlines the ever-widening gulf between the republican "positive neutralists" and the anti-Communist monarchs in the Arab world.

But the question now remains, will King Saud of Saudi Arabia allow himself to be tempted into forming a sort of holy alliance of monarchs against the leftist republics?

Middle East observers have frequently forecast that this possibility could not be ignored if King Saud refused to recognise President Nasser as the leader of the Arab nations. It now seems that there will be a move in this direction.

### Anxious

KING Hussein of Jordan is anxious that Iraq and Saudi Arabia form their own union with Jordan and thus counter the Egyptian-Syrian "threat" to its borders.

Iraqi politicians and newspapers—but not Government Ministers—have welcomed the projected union as the first step towards a full union of Arab states which has a great emotional appeal to all Arabs, and Lebanese leaders have echoed these feelings.

But two former Iraqi Premiers, Nuri el Said and Fadel el Jamali, who attended the Baghdad Pact meeting in Ankara have commented on the widening gulf between Egypt and Syria and the other Arab states.

### Attack

DURING the Baghdad Pact conference Nuri el Said made a widely publicised attack on Israel and tried to persuade Pact members to concentrate on the Palestine problem as well as on Communism.

However, this move has been overshadowed by the proclamation of the new union and this presents a potentially stronger weapon against Israel which is the whipping boy for the Arabs.

President Nasser is bent on his plan to become the supreme ruler of the Arabs and if the union is extended Arab nationalism might be hard to keep in check.

### RHODES SCHOLARS

IN an editorial the NY Times offered its congratulations to the young men who have been named Rhodes Scholars for 1958. It spoke of the Scholarships as an unusual institution, established originally to bring men from all over the world to Oxford University to study, in the confidence that once they did so they would have a better knowledge of what made up the British mind and thus be better able to interpret it in their own countries.

### Broader Outlook

IN practice the system has worked out well. The men who have gone to Oxford have usually come out with a broader outlook, not only in respect to Britain, but in respect to world relationships.

In the United States, moreover, the attainment of the scholarship is regarded as a mark of achievement in the academic world for which young men may rightly strive.

# REACTION TO MR B's LETTER

## Negative Attitude To Ike's Points

Washington, Feb. 3. THE White House called on Russia to-night to provide more information on the Soviet stand toward disarmament and outer space controls before President Eisenhower will agree to a new summit meeting.

The White House statement came following a telephone conference between the President and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles who was confined to his home by a "slight cold."

### Statement

Both President and the Secretary had spent considerable time previously in studying the new 17-page letter to the President from Soviet Premier Nikolai A. Bulganin.

The statement said: "The Bulgarian letter 'consists of a repetition of Soviet proposals previously made and a negative attitude toward President Eisenhower's eight proposals put forward in his letter of January 12' to the Premier."

But it added that "the Soviet note is being further considered." "It is, however, already apparent that further clarification of the Soviet position will be necessary before—to use President Eisenhower's words of January 12—it can be accepted that such a top-level meeting would, in fact, hold good hope for advancing the cause of peace and of justice in the world."

### Detailed

Press Secretary James C. Hagerty emphasised that the statement was not the President's own words.

This indicated that the Chief Executive planned a more detailed and personal reply to Bulganin once Dulles recovers from his cold and can sit down with President Eisenhower at a drafting session.

Hagerty said it might be another day or two before Dulles and the President could get together. Llewellyn Thompson, US Ambassador to Russia, also was scheduled to see the Chief Executive later, United Press.

## CLERGYMAN SAYS NOT 'SINFUL' FOR SPINSTERS TO HAVE CHILDREN BY A.I.D.

London, Feb. 3. A leading Methodist clergyman said today he did not think it would be "sinful" to allow lonely spinsters to have children by artificial insemination.

Dr. Donald Soper, former president of the British Methodist Conference, said he didn't think it was wise for the Church to call artificial insemination by a donor—A. I. D.—either a sin or a crime.

His view, directly contrary to that expressed recently by the Archbishop of Canterbury, appeared in a round-up of religious opinion in an article on the subject in "Illustrated" magazine published tonight.

His views also contradicted those of the other clergymen involved in the round-up of opinion.

Soper wrote, "I do not consider it would be sinful to give certain spinsters, who otherwise would be lonely, and would make good mothers, artificial insemination so that they do not lose the opportunity of motherhood."

He added, "It is unwise for Churches to rush in and condemn out of hand a number of possible practices, that are not yet prepared to condemn as sinful artificial insemination in a happy marriage where the husband is impotent."

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## Search For Royal Belongings

London, Feb. 4. Police today are hunting a thief with the "hottest" haul in London—clothes and jewellery belonging to 21-year-old Princess Alexandra.

Every London policeman has a description of the Royal belongings with the order from his superiors to "find them."

The clothes and jewellery—value not disclosed—were in two blue canvas travelling bags stolen early yesterday morning from a car in Notting Hill.

The car belonged to 23-year-old Mr. David Bailey, tall, handsome, curly haired son of a wealthy glass and pottery family.

He had driven the Princess back from a country house party and before taking her to Kensington Palace, invited her in to have a midnight cup of coffee in his parents' house.

The couple spent half an hour in the family home in Landowne, Crescent, and came out just after 12.30 a.m. to discover the theft.

Mr. David Bailey has been a frequent escort of the Princess. —Reuter.

## Triple Collision

Charleston, S.C., Feb. 3. Three F-86 sub-jets from Charleston Air Force Base collided in flight seven miles north of Andrews, South Carolina, today, and two of the planes plunged to the ground.

One pilot was killed when his parachute failed to open. —United Press.

## Austin Car Strike

Birmingham, Feb. 3. Nearly 8,000 day and night shift workers at the Austin motor plant here had to be sent home because of a strike by storemen today.

There was no work for 4,500 day workers as the result of a stoppage by 114 storemen on the body finishing lines.

When the night storemen also joined the strike, the management sent home another 3,000-odd workers.

An Austin spokesman said to-night it was expected that the men would report for duty in the morning. —Reuter.

## Hailsham Warns Of Dealing With The Russians

Edinburgh, Feb. 3. Lord Hailsham, Chairman of the British Conservative Party told a meeting here tonight that many of the proposals put forward for discussion at an East-West summit meeting "would have the effect, if accepted, of putting us at the mercy of the Russians while leaving them entirely free of any danger from us."

He said the proposals for summit talks should be viewed in the context of "competitive co-existence."

Lord Hailsham went on: "It may be that we over-estimate the purely military danger. The doctrine of Communism is political and throughout its history, while not adverse from the use of military force, where it feels certain of success, the Communist authorities have preferred political means."

"To put it cynically, they have preferred to advance by a mixture of fear, force and fraud, and not the use of force alone."

Lord Hailsham added that there were some risks "we should not run and some bargains that we either could not or should not make."

"We should not abandon atomic weapons, if this can only be done by putting ourselves at the mercy of Russian conventional weapons, either on land or in the sea or in the air."

"We should not create a smokeless zone if the effect were to render us or our friends liable to attack, while leaving the Soviet Union at the same time invulnerable."

"We should not make terms in Europe if the effect were to leave the Communists absolutely free to turn our flank in the Middle East or elsewhere."

"And we should be careful not to make the mistake of failing to recognise the extent to which the present tension has been built up by the aggressiveness of Russian words and actions, and neither by our friends or by ourselves." —Reuter.

## ANOTHER TRAIN CRASH

London, Feb. 3. Two freight trains collided this afternoon in the railway yard at Hatfield, Cheshire—making Britain's fourth train accident in the past four days.

There were no injuries in today's accident.

The British public had been disturbed by the quick succession of accidents. The most serious occurred last Friday at Dagenham, Essex, in a heavy fog, when 10 died and 87 others were injured in a collision.

Two other accidents on the same day in Yorkshire, caused one death and seven injuries.

By a coincidence, the inventor of the signalling and auto-matic braking system used on the line passing through Dagenham died on Friday, shortly after the Dagenham accident.

His system had been regarded as infallible. —France-Press.

## POLICE LOOK FOR DEEP FREEZE SEX MANIAC

Wheatthampstead, Feb. 4. Scotland Yard detectives today are hunting a sex maniac who apparently kept a girl he killed in a deep freeze for a month.

The manhunt—one of the most macabre in British Police history—is for the killer of 17-year-old Ann Noblett, who disappeared on December 30.

Her body was found on Friday in a wood seven miles from her home here.

She had apparently been sexually assaulted and strangled—but "her" body was remarkably well preserved and very cold.

Dr. Francis Camps, the Home Office Pathologist, concluded that the body had been kept in a refrigerated state for perhaps a month, then dumped in the wood a short time before its discovery.

Scotland Yard officers have consulted refrigeration experts and are today understood to be working on three lines of inquiry.

These are: ★ That a farmer with a deep freeze plant was responsible and at least 150 Hertfordshire farms and orchards are known to have such equipment.

★ That the killer used a refrigerated delivery van delivering frozen food.

★ That the girl's body was kept in a home-made "frozen bed."

Detectives are today checking farms in the area known to have installed deep freeze equipment.

They believe it possible that the murderer read press reports that police were contemplating a house to house search in the district and brought the body out of storage hurriedly. —Reuter.

## DEFEATIST RUBBISH

Singapore, Feb. 3. Chief Minister Lim Yew-hock said today that it is "defeatist rubbish" for anyone to say that the Communists will inevitably take over the Singapore government.

Commenting on the coming elections, Lim said he would not join in any argument that Communism cannot withstand democracy and predicted that democratic forces in the election would be "strong enough to meet the extremist threat."

—United Press.

## Mind Changing

Washington, Feb. 3. Presidential Disarmament Adviser Harold E. Stassen, who has been battling to get Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles to adopt a more liberal attitude on negotiating with Russia, recently talked with Dulles about his future.

They discussed whether Stassen would remain as Disarmament Adviser or quit to run for Governor of Pennsylvania. Dulles asked Stassen what he would really like to do.

"Change your mind," Stassen replied. —United Press.

## PLANE CRUISES AT SUPERSONIC SPEED

London, Feb. 2. An English Electric P.11B fighter has flown faster than sound for 23 consecutive minutes—probably the longest continuous supersonic flight by any aircraft and the longest by a British plane.

It was announced tonight. A company spokesman said: "The importance of the flight is that it shows we can now build planes which can cruise at supersonic speeds instead of just forcing their way through the sound barrier and falling back again."

The flight by the sub-silenced twin-jet P.11B was made last Friday by Mr. R. T. Beesmore.

Chief Test Pilot of the firm, from the Ministry of Supply Station, at Boscombe Down, Wiltshire.

The plane—which carries one jet on top of the other instead of side by side—was supersonic one minute after take-off and made the flight at 50,000 feet. —Reuter.

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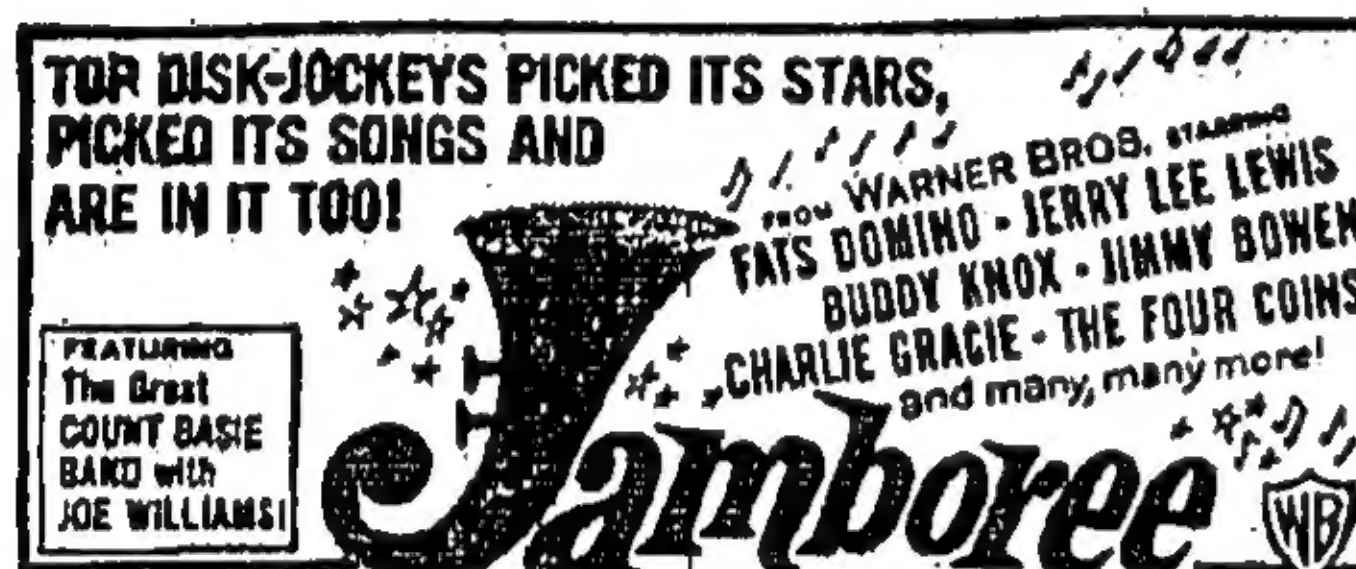
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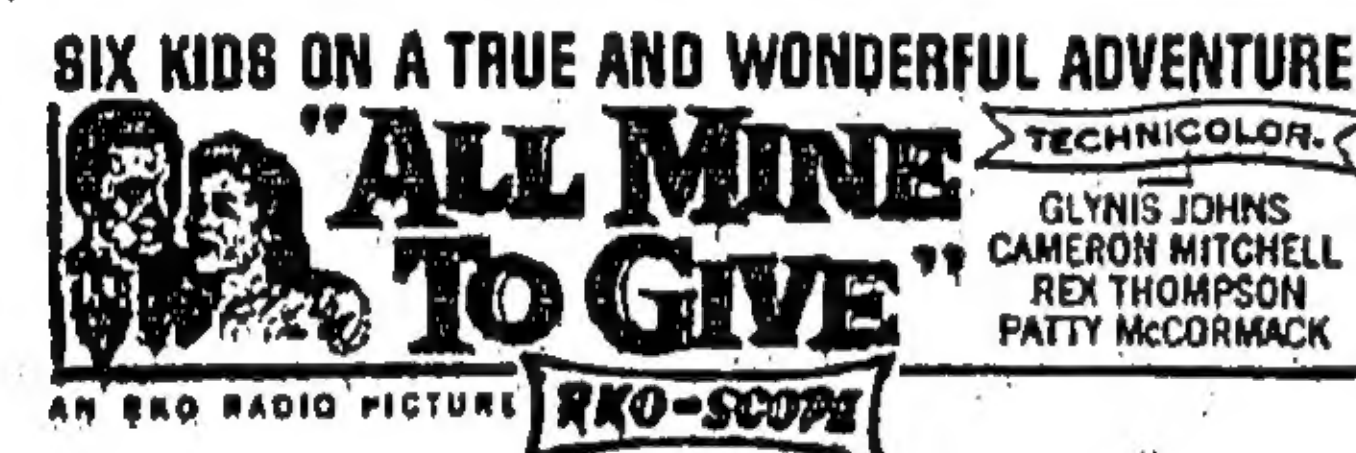
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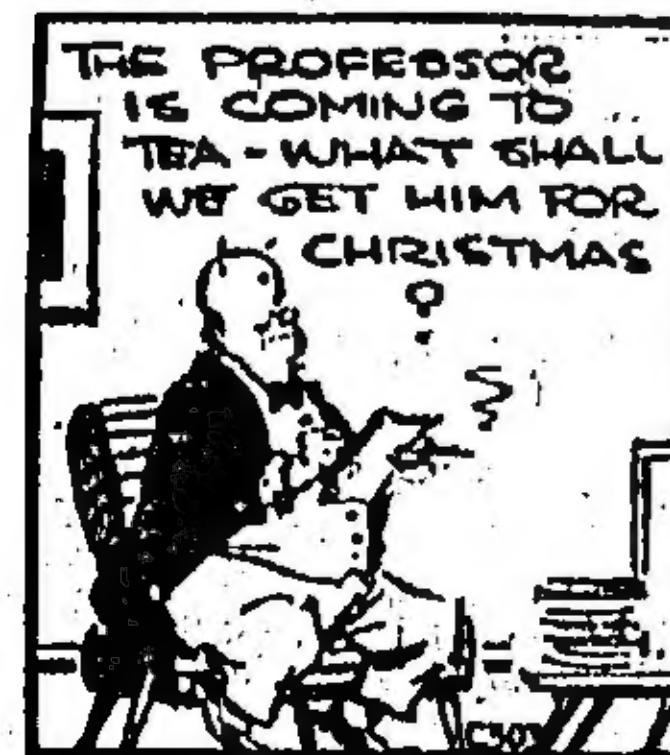
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# Big Sahara Oil Shipment Destroyed REBELS BLOW UP TRAIN ONE SOLDIER DIES

## IN LAND-MINE EXPLOSION

Constantino, Feb. 3. A rebel demolition team slipped past heavy French defences today and blew up a freight train bringing a large shipment of Sahara oil to the sea.

It was the third and most successful rebel sabotage attempt in less than a month on the roughly 350-mile pipe and rail route bringing oil from Sahara wells at Hassi Messaoud to the Mediterranean port of Philippeville.

One soldier was killed and two others were wounded in the land-mine explosion which ripped an engine off the tracks and caused heavy damage to the cars following, according to initial reports.

**FAILURE**

Rebels blew up another train early last month just south of Philippeville, but failed to slow the initial Sahara oil shipment which passed over the repaired track shortly afterwards.

This morning's explosion occurred near El Kantara in a mountainous area 100 miles south of here.

Eight days ago rebels dynamited an electric engine in the same area, killing a railway worker and six French soldiers. —United Press.

## New Volcano In Azores

Santa Maria, Feb. 3. The appearance of a new volcano about 18 miles from the island of Fayal in the Azores was reported by a plane pilot today.

The pilot said that the volcano spouted smoke and ash to an altitude of 12,000 feet.

The pilot of another plane, who later flew over the area, said that nothing was visible except a large yellow spot. —France-Press.

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Italian screen star Sophia Loren refused to comment on the rumour that she was expecting a baby when she arrived in Copenhagen recently on her way from Rome to Hollywood. Her husband, Carlo Ponti, appeared amused by the newsman's questions but was equally reticent. —Keystone.

## Unexpected Heavy Polling In Poland Continues

Warsaw, Feb. 3.

An unexpectedly heavy poll in local elections throughout Poland was interpreted by observers here today as backing for the nation's Communist leaders in their fight against economic troubles and political apathy.

Communist Party circles had forecast an average poll of only about 70 per cent in yesterday's elections to 201,201 seats on regional, county, city and village people's councils.

There was no open compulsion to vote—as in the 1954 local elections, during Poland's "Stalinist" period.

Official voting figures issued tonight showed these percentages of voters in key cities: Warsaw 84.8; Lodz, the textile city, 85.13; Cracow, 80.72.

In the countryside, where voters in small communities had more personal interest in candidates for local councils, the poll percentage was in the 80's and 90's, according to first estimates.

Voters in each constituency were offered a single list of candidates, but they were free to strike out names of those they disapproved. —Reuters.

## What Lies Under The Paint?

X-Rays To Probe  
Masterpiece

Chicago, Feb. 3. An art dealer will use X-ray equipment in an effort to uncover a self-portrait of artist George Seurat. The portrait is believed hidden under layers of paint on his masterpiece, "Young Woman Powdering."

Seurat is believed to have painted his only self-portrait in a mirror on the upper left-hand corner of the picture. The mirror now shows a vase of flowers.

Officials at the Chicago Art Institute, which is presenting an exhibit of 150 of the French artist's works, said the delicate X-ray work will be undertaken early this week. The results will be announced on Wednesday.

The legend is that Seurat used his mistress, Madeline Knoebel, as the model for the picture. However, friends told him it was bad taste to paint his own face in the mirror, so he covered it with a painting of a still life. He finished the picture in 1889 and died two years later.

Louis Framerantz, the Museum's Curator of painting, will make a series of X-rays of the picture. Because of the value of the work, permission to take the X-rays was first obtained from the Courtauld Institute in London, owner of the picture.

Some experts believe Seurat scraped off his self-portrait before adding the vase of flowers. However, Daniel Catton Rich, director of the Institute, said he believes Seurat's likeness is still there. —United Press.

**Two-Day Clash**

Algiers, Feb. 3. French authorities announced today that 41 Algerian rebels were killed in a two-day clash with French troops near the town of Duiviller over the weekend.

Troops captured eight rebel army rifles, an automatic rifle, two machine-pistols and 40 artillery shells. —France-Press.

## CENTENARY OF THE VISION AT LOURDES

Some Eight Million  
Pilgrims Expected

Paris, Feb. 3. Some 8,000,000 pilgrims are expected to visit the Roman Catholic shrine of Lourdes by plane, boat, car, train, helicopter and on foot, for the centenary of the vision of Bernadette Soubirous related her vision of the Virgin Mary.

The centenary occurs on February 11, but will be celebrated all year at the grotto where 14-year-old Bernadette Soubirous related her vision of the Virgin Mary.

Some estimates of the throngs expected at the "miracle" grotto, reputed for its cures, run as high as 10,000,000.

The French railway system is chartering 950 special trains for more than half of them. French pilgrims and the rest for foreign groups, during the period from March 20 to October 20.

The French Sud Aviation Company has offered to fly Pope Plus XII to the newly-expanded Ossen-Lourdes airport in a new French "Caravelle" jet transport, but thus far there are no official plans for a visit by the Pope. —France-Press.

## HE DIDN'T SEE THE POINT

Los Angeles, Feb. 3. One of the wealthiest women in the United States, who got a divorce here today, accused her husband of staying in bed until noon and refusing to get a job.

She is Mrs. Athall Joan Irvine Penniman, who inherited half of the \$250 million worth of property left by her grandfather.

Her stepfather, United States District Judge Thurmond Clarke, told the court that her husband, Russell Sylvanus Penniman, 27-year-old, airplane broker, was "always in bed. He was a retired gentleman at the age of 27."

Mrs. Penniman was granted the divorce on grounds of cruelty and granted custody of her five-month-old child, Russell Penniman. —China Mail Special.

**Dies At 108**

Berlin, Feb. 3. West Germany's oldest citizen, Madelon Luise Rasmann, died yesterday in West Berlin, aged 108.

She celebrated her last birthday on September 27, surrounded by her 26 children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. —Associated Press.

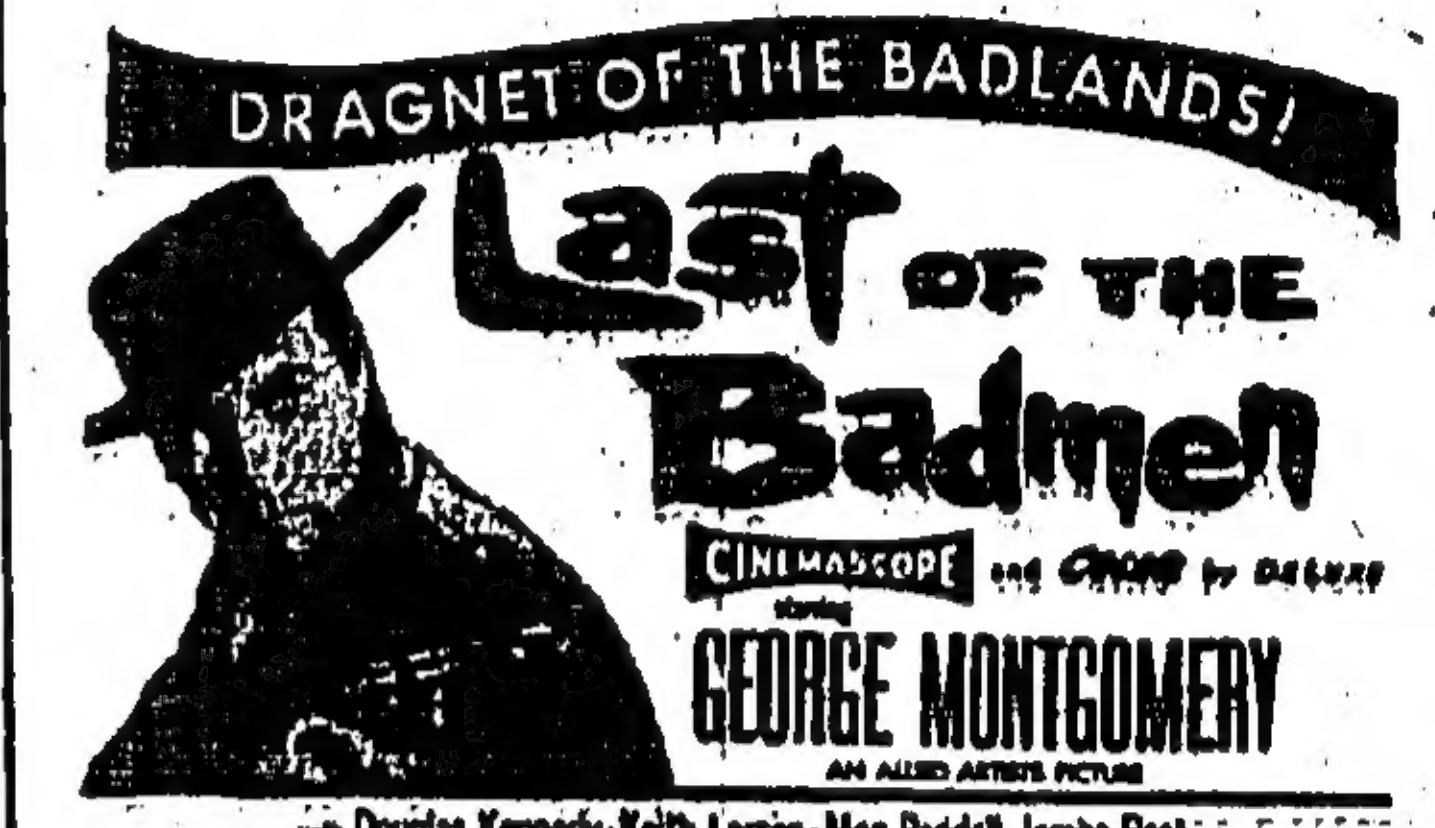
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## Newsbriefs On The 'Explorer'

London, Feb. 3. Moscow Radio's science correspondent said tonight America's earth satellite did not cause much excitement in Russia because "it was expected all along—was in fact, overdue."

The broadcast, by Boris Belitsky, said: "Whatever may be the connection between lunar activity and excitability, this particular new moon has aroused little excitement in our part of the sub-lunar world, and not because it is such a tiny, little thing, weighing a mere 30 pounds either."

"Earlier misadventures notwithstanding, Soviet scientists were confident throughout that their U.S. colleagues had the ability and the means to achieve a successful launching." — United Press.

Paris, Feb. 3. Producer Mike Todd said today the Russians no longer are taking American missile efforts lightly.

Todd and his actress wife, Elizabeth Taylor, passed through Paris today on their way to Athens after an eight-day visit to Moscow.

Todd said the Russians acted "very happy" about the successful launching of the U.S. 'Explorer'. He said they "seemed very excited," too. — United Press.

Washington, Feb. 3. The U.S. satellite Explorer is circling the earth once every 115.27 minutes in an elliptical orbit extending from 220 to 1,400 miles in altitude, latest calculations showed today.

The figure was released by the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory which said scientists were making more precise calculations on the man-made moon as additional data flowed in.

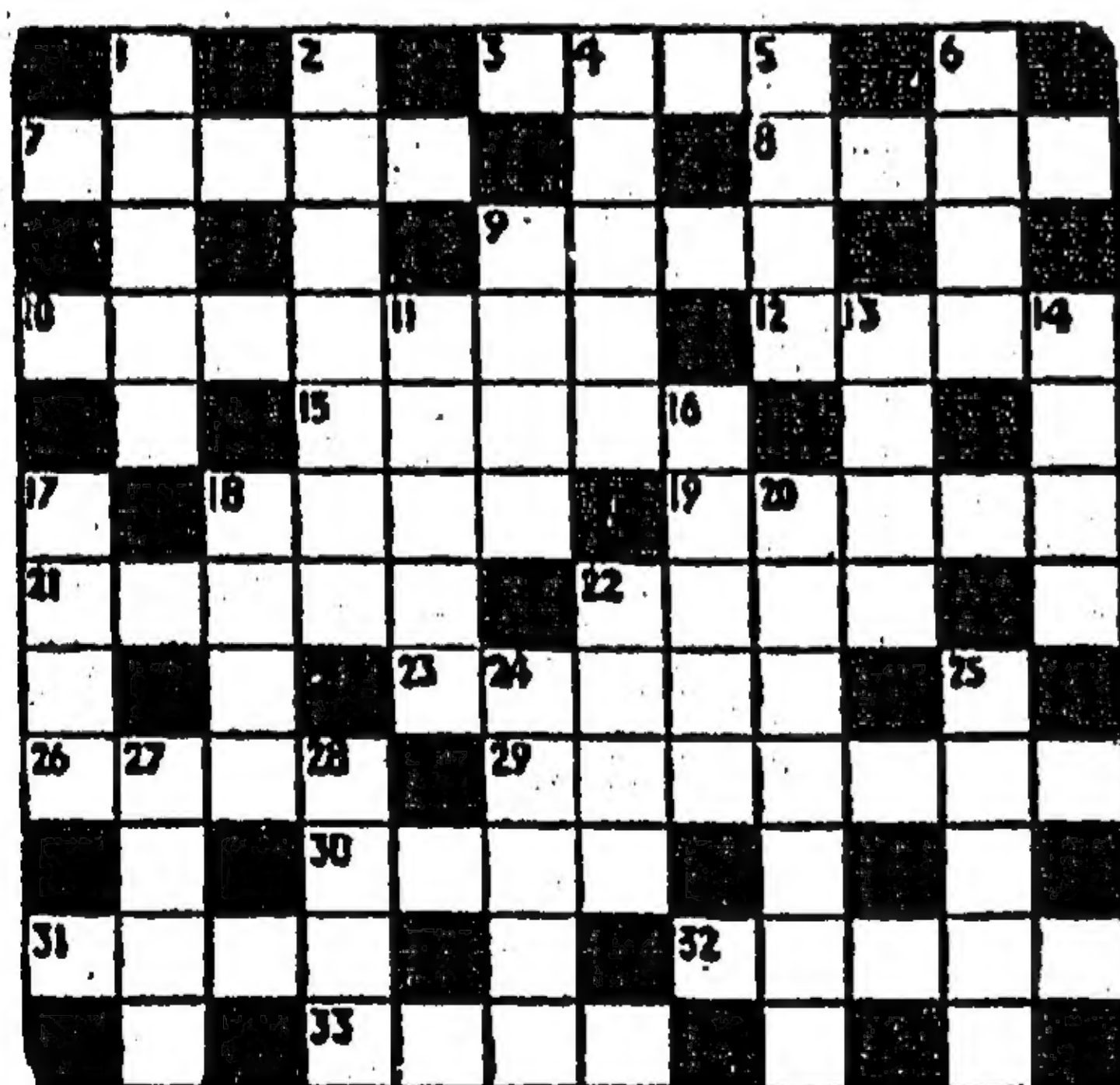
Calculations released yesterday tentatively had the satellite ranging from about 212 miles to 1,328 miles above the earth and making a revolution every 115.1 minutes. — United Press.

Paris, Feb. 3. A leading French space scientist expressed confidence today that the Russians will shortly divulge all the scientific information gleaned by the whirling Sputniks.

Alexander Ananov, Russian-born founder of the International Astronautical Association, added that the successful launching of the American satellite greatly increased the chances of closer East-West collaboration in space science.

"The launching of the American 'Explorer' has settled the prestige issue," Ananov said. "Future progress is likely to be achieved on a more technical ground and less on a basis of 'sporting' competition." — United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- 3 The talented may have it (4).
- 7 Haughty (5).
- 8 Thames town (4).
- 9 Title (4).
- 10 Mobile home (7).
- 12 Infatuated Ananias (4).
- 15 Hen in (5).
- 16 Song of joy (4).
- 18 Build upright (5).
- 21 Miss Garwood (5).
- 22 Highest point (4).
- 23 Undress (8).
- 25 Guided missile (4).
- 29 Cut down (7).
- 30 Opera excerpt (4).
- 31 They may be mastered by dogwood (4).
- 32 Yanks (5).
- 33 Don't give away the stronghold (4).

### DOWN

- 1 Ten time? (5).
- 2 Lasting (7).
- 4 Mentally vacant (5).
- 5 Have a strong effect (4).
- 6 Encyclopaedia, for instance? (4).
- 9 Experts do things with it (4).
- 11 Swings round (5).
- 13 Wild goat (4).
- 14 Obligation to pay? (4).
- 16 Not quite cold (5).
- 17 No longer young (4).
- 18 Fit (4).
- 20 Generally considered (7).
- 22 Basement space (4).
- 24 Edible nonsense (5).
- 25 Dry measures (5).
- 27 Indian city (4).
- 28 Some hard labour? (4).

MONDAY'S SOLUTION.—Across: 1 Lesson, 7 Erin, 9 April, 10 Vocal, 11 Alto, 12 Port of call, 13 Lyre, 14 Plan, 15 Bartenders, 16 Ellen, 17 Tutor, 18 Vague, 19 Soler, 20 down: 1 Enter, 2 Balise, 3 Novice, 4 Recalled, 5 Gilt, 6 Italy, 7 Ovary, 8 Pudge, 9 Tamarisk, 10 A-bout, 11 Start, 12 Nerve, 13 Eagle, 14 Them.

# Tense Drama Behind The Scenes How 'Explorer' Got Into Orbit

## US Satellite Was 'Lost' For Seven Minutes

Cape Canaveral, Feb. 3. Members of the U.S. satellite launching team said today that the Explorer satellite had performed better than expected, and may remain in space for six years or more.

Some of the details and drama of what occurred in the blockhouse just before the Explorer went aloft were revealed to reporters by some of the chief actors.

It was announced that the U.S. satellite was "missing" for almost seven minutes after launching last Saturday.

Wernher von Braun, "Father" of the satellite, known in the Army these days as "The Happy Dutchman," was a worried man 100 minutes after his Jupiter-C rocket blasted away from the Florida coast at 0348 GMT on Saturday.

He and other scientists pacing the Pentagon floor with Army officials had carefully figured that at 0334 GMT the satellite, if it was going into an orbit—should be whizzing over San Diego, California.

But the minutes rolled past 1234 and no word from California trackers.

It's history now that the man-made Moon finally hove over California, successfully orbiting around the earth.

But only today did the Army disclose details of the "Operation Sweet-Out" that Von Braun and others went through until the word came: "It's in at San Diego."

### HEADQUARTERS

(Von Braun said later the satellite apparently had gone a little higher and into a somewhat longer orbit than expected. For that reason it was seven minutes late getting to San Diego.)

The drama was played out in the Communications Room at the Defense Department here where Von Braun and others kept in touch with developments both at the Cape Canaveral, Florida, Missile Test Centre and the Army Ballistic Missile Agency at Huntsville, Alabama.

They sent and received messages simultaneously over a tele-communications device like a teletype. By phone they carried on conversations with

trackers at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory at the California Institute of Technology and elsewhere.

From Canaveral they got word the launching was a success. From San Diego and other points must come confirmation that the satellite was in orbit.

At 5:34 p.m. Canaveral reported: "Jupiter-C is at launch time minus one hour and counting. An air of cautious optimism prevails." Thereafter Canaveral used the symbol "X" to denote launching time.

STARTING

At X minus 45 minutes came a startling development. Canaveral reported: "Checking a possible fuel leak."

The crestfallen officials waited.

Finally Canaveral came back: "No leak. That was just a little overheat to be wiped off." Then the messages from the Cape went like this: "X-17 and counting. Things still going smoothly."

"X-10 and the blockhouse is buttoned up."

"X-2. Lift off is scheduled for 10 seconds after X-O."

Then it came:

"Firing command and lift off!"

"Lift off started. It's going... still going... still going."

At that point the communications operator could not restrain himself. On his own he punched out: "Looks good."

Six minutes and 43 seconds after the launching Canaveral reported the second stage of the rocket had fired: "Okay."

SWITCH

The drama switched to the California tracking stations and the Army Ballistic Missile Agency which was hooked into the communications system.

Some of those in the room wanted to announce the successful launching of the rocket. Von Braun wanted to be sure all stages had fired.

Finally the confirmation came and Von Braun moved to a room where telephones were open to California.

Dr. W. Pickering, Director of the Jet Propulsion Laboratories, said he wanted three "fixes" from his California people before he would declare the satellite in orbit.

Pickering to the Laboratory: "Have you picked up anything yet?"

Laboratory Assistant: "Heard a faint signal."

Von Braun (in an aside): "Aw, that was probably his electric razor."

"NOTHING"

At X plus 105 minutes Pickering told the Laboratory: "You ought to be getting it."

At X plus 168 minutes (the time figured for the satellite to be over San Diego) the Laboratory reported: "Nothing yet."

The same report came at X plus 107 minutes.

Von Braun: "It must have gone farther than we planned."

Pickering to his Laboratory man: "Frank, why in the hell haven't you got something?"

At X plus 113 minutes Pickering, his ear still to the phone, held up his finger for those in the room and gleefully exclaimed: "I've got one" (fix). Then into the phone: "Give me another one."

Those in the room saw him mark two fixes on pad of paper. Still he insisted: "Give me another one." Then, just as the Naval Research Laboratory gave him still another "fix" Pickering jubilantly exclaimed: "It's in. We've got San Diego."

With that they informed the White House which had a telephone line open to Press Secretary James C. Hagerty at Andrews, Georgia, where President Eisenhower was spending the weekend.

Shortly afterward the President announced that the free world's first satellite was in orbit around the earth. — United Press.

## Scared His Rival To Death!

Manila, Feb. 4. Chinese pop-corn vendor recently scared a rival Chinese to death in Laguna Province and the police, not having dealt with such a case before, are at a loss as to what to do.

Wi Chi, enraged by the cut-throat competition waged by Sy Hong, loaded a coffin aboard his jeep, lighted it with candles, then drove it to Sy's store.

He held the cowering Sy by the neck and pointing to the coffin declared, "That is where I will place your body."

Sy never recovered from the shock and died late last month.

The police are still studying the case. — France-Press.

## Danger Of North Korea Is Still Too Big

Washington, Feb. 3. The Korean Ambassador, Y. C. Yang, said today that his country would not reduce its armed forces by "one single man" until it received the more modern military equipment it had been promised by the United States.

## YUGOSLAVS' TRIAL FINISHES

Belgrade, Feb. 3. The trial of three Yugoslavs for attempts to overthrow the regime ended here today after closing statements by the prosecutor, two of the defendants and their attorneys.

The verdict will be announced tomorrow.

Bodan Kretitch, leader of the former Social Democratic Party, and Alexander Pavlovitch, attorney, denied charges of unconstitutional activity aimed at overthrowing the regime by force and demanded that they be acquitted.

A similar demand was made on behalf of the third defendant, Professor Juyovitch, by his attorney.

Professor Juyovitch refused to reply to the speech of the prosecutor on the ground that he had been defamed.

Kretitch and Pavlovitch, if found guilty, may be sentenced to from five years in prison to the maximum of a death sentence.

Juyovitch may be sentenced to from six months to 20 years. — France-Press.

## NOSTALGIC THIEVES CAUGHT

Lisbon, Feb. 3. Police in the town of Olhao reported today that nostalgic thieves broke out of the town gaol nightly to rob local inhabitants and then returned to their cells.

The police, alarmed by the number of complaints from victims, opened an inquiry which led to set a trap round the gaol this week-end.

They caught two inmates who were returning from a foray. Two others, well-known escape artists, got away.

Authorities said they suspect a prison guard of complicity because his window was left open nightly, presumably to allow the prisoners to get out. — France-Press.

## CRASHED INTO A HIPPO

Livingstone, Feb. 3. Travelling on a motor-scooter recently between Livingstone and Victoria Falls, Mr. E. Kostopoulos had a lucky escape from death.

His scooter crashed into a hippopotamus and was completely wrecked.

He was thrown clear and suffered only slight injuries. The hippopotamus, scrambled into the bush, apparently much madder than hurt. — Express-Press.

## Student Was Cheeky, Murdered Sunday School Teacher Guilty

Leicester, Feb. 3. A former Sunday school teacher, found guilty here today of murdering an eight-year-old boy, was alleged to have said: "He had been cheeky to me at Sunday school and I thought it would teach him a lesson."

Riddington was said by the prosecuting counsel to have pushed the boy into a canal, causing his death by drowning.

Two doctors gave evidence that Riddington suffered from schizophrenia.

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He denied it when first questioned by police, but later said "If I tell you the truth will it help me? He had been cheeky to me at Sunday school and I thought I would teach him a lesson."

"Something came over me and I pushed him into the water. The back of his head was sticking out of the water when I left."

The judge, Mr. Justice Paull, sentenced him to be detained "during Her Majesty's pleasure" (indefinite detention). — China Mail Special.

## Another Big Soviet Discovery?

London, Feb. 3. Radio Moscow announced tonight that Soviet scientists have discovered the force which holds together molecules — the basic building blocks of matter.

The discovery, if proven true, discloses one of the missing links in man's knowledge of the world around him—a mystery of greater eventual significance even than atomic fusion or fission.

A Tass news agency dispatch said: "Soviet scientists have proved theoretically and experimentally that the source of molecular force is reciprocal emission and absorption of electromagnetic waves by two molecules."

The dispatch noted that Russian physicist Peter Lebedev first theorized this possibility in 1894. It said proof had now been given by a trio of Soviet scientists—Dra Eugene Lifshitz, Boris Deryagin and Irina Abrikosova. — United Press.

Miami, Feb. 3. An airline pilot filed a flight log today that indicated he may have seen either the first or second stage of the satellite-bearing Jupiter-C rocket fall into the ocean on Friday night.

The report was filed by Captain C. E. Francis who was flying an Eastern Airlines plane on a passenger flight from San Juan, Puerto Rico, to New York. — United Press.

## Discharged

Accra, Feb. 3. One of 10 men charged with conspiracy and preparing armed attack against people in Ghana before it celebrated independence on March 6 last year was discharged in the Assize court here today. — Reuters.

## Why Britain Doesn't Have A Satellite: Hailsham

Edinburgh, Feb. 3. Lord Hailsham, British Conservative Party Chairman, estimated here tonight that a British satellite would have cost between £500 and £1,000 million.

He told a party meeting: "It is true that we have no Sputnik and no Jupiter."

"It is also true that we could have bought one, as the Russians have bought theirs, at a certain price in human misery and deprivation and, but for the immense industrial capacity of their country, the Americans would have bought theirs."

"It would have cost, I suppose, not much more than £500 million possibly as much as £1,000 million."

### PEACEFUL

"But these are sums which we spend annually in provision for old age, an education, or the relief of sickness or poverty, possibly not so much as we have spent on the peaceful development of atomic energy."

"We could have got it and at the end we would have bought for our money a piece of spectacular military mechanism, for the Sputnik, like the Jupiter, is only an intercontinental ballistic missile turned inside out." — Reuters.

## POLICEMAN DESERTED POST: FIVE KILLED

Bogota, Feb. 3. A policeman who deserted his post to get drunk set off a chain of events which resulted in five persons killed and two others wounded in the town of Tulua, it was disclosed today.

The drunken policeman, whose name was not reported, fired on troops at the wind-up of a political demonstration and was shot dead by their fire.

The crowd, unaware of reasons for the troops' action, attacked them and soldiers opened fire anew, an official communiqué said.

In all five persons, one of them a soldier, were killed and two other soldiers were wounded in the incident. — France-Press.

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## This Funny World



"Helen, will you please stop worrying about that tree."

## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

BORN today, you are an ardent and impulsively enthusiastic individual. However, you are one of those who can turn on the wit-control when it is most needed. You seem to have everything under your personal direction and, in addition to planning things on a large scale, you are able to keep your attention on the tiniest detail. You appreciate that even the most grandiose plan can fail if there is a slip-up in some important detail. You don't plan to let that happen to you!

You have a keen mind and an original point of view. You have the personal courage to stick to what you say, despite all kinds of opposition. Once you have made up your mind to something, it is next to impossible to change it. This, of course, can become an evil. For there are times when changing conditions is the only wise course. Don't permit determination to disintegrate into pig-headed stubbornness! Sometimes it's the wisest man who knows when to make an about-face and move with increased energy in another direction.

Despite all this seriousness in your nature, there is another side to your personality which does not show itself except to those closest to you. You have a keen sense of humour and are happy with a few close friends whose interests are similar to your own. Your emotions are deep, and you might easily fall in love at first sight and find lasting contentment and happiness.

Among those born on this date were: Charles A. Lindbergh, aviation pioneer; Mark Hopkins, educator; Joseph M. Carey, jurist and legislator; and Richard Boleslavsky, film director.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—It is likely that all the service trades will be especially favoured just now. Take a calculated risk.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—You can anticipate a proper profit on anything for which you have put out the requisite amount of work.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Not your day for impulsive action. Think through any project with the greatest of care and consideration.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—The full moon brings added importance to property interests. Questionable issues have to be decided.

GEORGINA (May 22-June 21)—An inheritance coming to you at this time, could bring new interests into your experience. Be ready to meet them.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—This is your day to show a progressive spirit. It is especially important if you are in retail merchandising.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Take care that your health is in

good shape. If not, be sure to seek proper medical advice. Don't delay.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Your intuitions should lead you in the right direction today. Just listen to that small, still voice and act accordingly.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—This can be your day to do a good deed. Help someone who needs assistance. Heed impulse; act upon it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—A friendly, even romantic, day. Combine social and business interests with outstanding results.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—This is a busy day, and if you will play your cards right, you can achieve some cherished ambition.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 20)—Some of your chief interests may be in the realm of sexuality today. Make the ideal become real.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: AIN SAID

small squares may be used twice

each word must contain

the large letter in the centre

square, and there must be at

least one letter in the list.

No plurals; no foreign

words; no proper names.

TODAY'S TARGET: 32 word

good; 38 words, very good; 42

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## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Opening Lead Is Fateful Decision

By OSWALD JACOBY

TODAY'S hand is a lay-down for four hearts but South happens to have a perfectly normal opening no-trump bid and no one can really criticise North's jump to the no-trump game. He held a balanced hand with nine points and two tens.

If West had opened a spade there would be no story. Declarer would just have gone down one trick. However, the club lead seemed more attractive and West led the four spot of that suit.

South hopped up with dummy's queen and led the queen

NORTH 17	
♠ A 9 5	
♥ Q 10 9 2	
♦ J 10 4	
♣ Q 3 2	
WEST	
♠ 10 8 4 2	
♥ A K 3	
♦ 7 5	
♣ J 10 7 4	
EAST	
♠ Q J 7 3	
♥ 5 4	
♦ A 8 3 2	
♣ 9 8 5	
SOUTH (D)	
♠ K 6	
♥ J 8 7 6	
♦ K Q 9	
♣ A K 6	
No one vulnerable	
South West North East	
1 N.T. Pass 3 N.T. Pass	
Pass Pass	
Opening lead—♣ 4	

of hearts. West took the king and shifted to the deuce of spades. East's jack forced declarer's king and now declarer led a diamond.

East won with the ace and returned a club. South won in his hand and knocked out the ace of hearts, winding up making four no-trump.

West claimed that East should have played a spade when he was in with the ace of diamonds in which case declarer would have gone down just as if the spade had been opened originally.

Assuming both West and South to be good players, there is no question but that East was at fault. South was marked with exactly three clubs. If the remaining two were the ace and jack he would not have gone up with the queen on the opening lead. If they were the ace and king the club suit was hopeless. Anything else and West could have continued clubs himself.

Then West was marked with the top of spades. Without that card West would have led his top spade, not his lowest. Hence, the spade return would surely establish two spade tricks.

## CARD GAME

Q—The bidding has been:

East South West North

1 ♠ 1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠

Pass

You, South, hold:

♠ K J 9 7 6 ♡ A Q 6 5 ♣ K 8 7 2

What do you do?

A—Bid four clubs. A strong bid is clearly indicated and your singleton heart makes no-trump seem inadvisable.

TODAY'S QUESTION

Your partner continues with a bid of four spades. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

## WOMANSENSE

## Must a tycoon's wife live with the firm, too?

By VERONICA PAPWORTH



BLUEPRINT FOR SPRING

It looks like being every woman's blueprint for spring. It's an easy, bloused top. Brightly striped waist and short, slim skirt. With it, almost certainly, a Breton sailor hat. Fabric: The "kindest" ever—a good, firm jersey-knit. It packs like a dream. This dress—available in white-striped navy or navy-striped white—is an Austrian import by Ilma Casuals. (Crests Shops next month, 12½ guineas.)

## HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Drinking glasses kept by the bathroom or kitchen sink should be washed out daily with soap and water. If cloudiness has formed in the bottom, fill the

glass or cup full of a baking soda and water solution and let stand awhile before washing.

To make your new muslin

ironing board cover last longer, before using it put it in the washing machine, with detergent, and let it go through a regular wash cycle.

We agreed that colours were terribly difficult to "see" from small samples.

"I had a midnight-blue blouse and I kept lying on the carpet and saying to Leslie: 'Look darling, using this colour chair

do?'"

It does.

"The curtains are now

chairs, patterned with pale

green roses.

Through to the music room

(crimson carpet and midnight

blue chairs) with 32 ft. of

curtaining—one entire side—

from floor to ceiling.

That's the way to see furnish-

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## TACTFUL

## This policeman

WE came out of the skating rink to find a policeman hovering round my car, notebook in hand.

"Name and address, please?"

"I'm not in the slightest bit

secretive about my age, but I

couldn't help asking: 'What in

the world has age to do with a

parking offence?'"

"Quite, quite," said the policeman

soothingly. "Ladies are

often funny about this. We

usually have to guess."

I peeked round his shoulder,

but he had evidently decided

to guess later.

He did—and he should be

promoted for tact.

It turned up on my local

police station's notification—

"over 21."

"I'll know what to answer next

time.

## Significant Detail



By GRACE THORNCLEFFE

"THE drape of the shape," as

seen in this coat of fine wool-

en, available in black or dark

brown. The cowl draping in

back emphasizes a line that is

very significant this fall and

early winter. The front is

drastically different—slim,

straight and double-breasted,

with vertical slit pockets.

## BY THE WAY... by Beachcomber

A MAN walking along the Bayswater Road stopped suddenly and gazed at the pavement. Within 10 minutes, during which he never moved, 334 people had gathered round him, and were pushing and shoving to find out what he had seen on the pavement.

Within half an hour extra police were controlling a crowd estimated at 1,500. Cars and buses had stopped, and there was a clamour of excited talk. The man still stood, gazing at the pavement. By midday a police officer had forced his way through a crowd now numbering nearly 10,000. He asked the man what had happened. Coming to himself and staring in amazement at the crowd, the man said: "I was trying to remember my niece's telephone number."

## A visitor to the Ministry

A BIRD which escaped from the National Cage Bird Show at Olympia very sensibly flew into an office at the Ministry of Supply. As it alighted on the in-tray it is reported to have said: "Well, what are you going to supply? How do you mean?" asked a puzzled official. Back came the answer: "This is the Ministry of Supply, isn't it? What about supplying me with some food? I'm fed up with sitting in a cage in that great draughty building. It's

boring, and it makes me hungry. And the faces of the people! Ugh!"

## In passing

SOMETIMES think that I invented the Foreign Office, as a joke. I remember a music-hall turn in which mountebanks peddled pedantically on bicycles with no handlebars and collided with others on bicycles with handlebars, but with no wheels.

## And a boulder, I hope

"TOO many people," writes one who is evidently disillusioned. "Think that anyone who carries a tightly-rolled umbrella is respectable."

He ran after girls, and he drank like a fish.

And deserted his wife when the balliffs were in.

His manners were all that his cronies could wish.

And included a wink and an impudent grin.

His laughter was vulgar and his laughter loud.

His small, talky wife for a sensitive ear.

His jokes were the joy of the commonest crowd.

Being all about card-games and bookies and beer.

Even better-class people succumbed to the charm.

Of the tightly-rolled brolly that hung from his arm.

## Knarf Looks For A Hill

—How The Uphills Suddenly Became Downhills—

By MAX TRELL

IT was a cold day, but the sun was shining and making sharp, white patches on the snow.

Knarf, the Shadow Boy with the Turned-About Name, ran down the street pulling his sled behind him.

At the corner, he met the Policeman.

"Good morning, Policeman," said Knarf.

"Good morning, Knarf," said the Policeman. "Where are you going with your sled?"

"I'm looking for a hill," said Knarf.

## Best Thing

"That's the best thing to look for when you've got a sled," said the Policeman. "There's a hill right behind your house."

"I don't like that hill," said Knarf.

The Policeman raised his eyes in surprise.

"A hill is a hill," he said. "Why don't you like that hill?"

"The hill I'm looking for," said Knarf, "is a downhill. The hill behind my house is an uphill. That's why I don't like it."

the hills in this neighbourhood are uphill."

"But where are all the downhill?" said Knarf.

The Policeman was silent for a moment or two. Presently he said: "When I was your age and I had a sled, I also used to look around for a downhill. I looked all over, but all I could find were uphill. Then, one day, I met a very old man. He had travelled all over the world.

"Tell me," I said to the Old Man, 'where can I find a coun-

try where all the downhill are kept?'"

"What did the Old Man say?" Knarf asked the Policeman.

## All Over

The Policeman continued: "The Old Man said: 'There's no country like this one, my boy, for downhill. They're all over the place. You're not looking for them in the right way.'

"The thing to do is to climb up to the top of the hill right behind your house and if you look around from the top of that hill, you will find more downhill than you ever saw before."

"And did you do what the Old Man said?" Knarf asked the Policeman.

"I did, indeed," said the Policeman. "I climbed up to the top of the hill behind my house, and when I looked around, there I saw a dozen hills all over the place and they were all downhill, every single one of them!"

"Oh," said Knarf. "Should I do the same thing?"

## Don't Waste Time

"Exactly," said the Policeman. "Don't waste another minute. Go right back to your house and climb up that hill behind you. I'm sure you'll find a dozen hills





# THE FIRST ASCENT OF MONT BLANC

Now Regarded As The Most Important Event In Mountaineering History

By CHARLES STEVENS

Grim and determined, the courageous Swiss guide struggled up the last few yards of the snowy slope. He had achieved what all the world had thought impossible. He was standing where no man had stood before—at the summit of Europe. Triumphantly he shouted, "I have arrived alone. I am the king of Mont Blanc. I am the statue on this huge pedestal."

When his excitement had subsided, Jacques Balmat gallantly descended the steep and difficult slope to help his companion, Dr Michel-Gabriel Paccard, who had collapsed, exhausted and discouraged.

Then, with supreme courage, he dragged the doctor back up the slope so that he might share the great triumph of reaching the summit.

At least that is what the world was led to believe for more than a century. Only now, with the discovery of fresh evidence and a thorough examination of all the relevant information, has the truth been revealed about this great and historic achievement: a mountaineering feat which was every bit as sensational at the time as the conquest of Everest was in 1953.

Coinciding with the centenary of the Alpine Club, senior of all mountaineering clubs, and the bicentenary of Dr Paccard's birth, comes the publication of "The First Ascent of Mont Blanc" (Oxford University Press, 70s).

The authors are Professor Graham Brown, one of the greatest mountaineers of modern times, and Sir Gavin de Beer, who discovered many documents relating to the first ascent of Mont Blanc.

## Stirring Tale

Together they have written a stirring tale of human conquest and, at the same time, presented a devastating indictment of one of the greatest frauds in the history of any sport.

Painstaking research has produced a mass of evidence to prove beyond doubt that Balmat's version of the famous ascent was both inaccurate and unfair.

The real hero and conqueror of the first ascent of Mont Blanc in 1786 was, it turns out, the village doctor, Paccard, who was too modest to publish an account of his conquest.

Balmat was one of several villains in this story of deceit, jealousy, malice and greed. Equally guilty of propagating the Balmat legend were Horace-Benedict de Saussure, Professor

## Patriotic Motives

Dr Paccard's feat was prompted by purely patriotic motives. He wanted to prove that "our" Mont Blanc, as he called it, and not, as some claimed, the Monte Rosa or the Finsteraarhorn, was Europe's highest mountain.

Paccard was a great climber and his ascent of Mont Blanc is now regarded as the most important single event in the history of mountaineering.

Many lesser mountains had been climbed before 1786 but the conquest of the "unclimbable" Mont Blanc fired the imagination of the whole world. And this triumph of the village doctor was the first of a series of events which gave birth to the great modern sport of mountaineering.

Sir John Hunt, leader of the successful Everest expedition, says in a foreword to this magnificent book that Paccard's ascent was "the first milestone in the history of mountaineering."

In terms of human endeavour it was, he says, perhaps greater than the conquest of Everest, in that no comparable challenge had ever been surmounted.

This book, he adds, reminds him of the illustrations of an unconscious Hillary, being dragged, hand over hand by rope, to the summit of Everest by conquering Tensing (who had no such notion), which adorned the triumphal arches along the road as we returned to Kathmandu four years ago.

"Thus lesser men will ever seek to their own advantage,

## IMPORTANT CHANGES IN RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL LAWS ANNOUNCED

London, Feb. 4.

The most important of the changes in the laws of Rugby Union football, agreed by the International Board last month and announced today, concern the scrum.

The amended scrum law states that the hooker of the team with the loose head must hook with the foot farthest from the side on which the scrum half puts the ball in, but the opposing hooker may use the nearer foot.

The alterations in the rules have been designed to speed up the game and reduce the number of stoppages. They will come into effect in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales in season 1958-59, and in Australia, New Zealand and South Africa in April next.

Under the amendments to the laws, it will be necessary to play the ball with the foot after a tackle, and an unintentional knock-on will not be penalised.

If a player catching the ball directly from a kick unintentionally knocks on, but recovers the ball before it touches the ground or another player, play will continue. It will be permissible for the kicker to place the ball before kicking at goal after a try, and a penalty kick will be permitted to be taken in any direction—not necessarily, as now, at least five yards towards the opponent's goal-line.

Early and late tackling and dangerous tackling are now defined as illegal, and in the event of foul play the referee will be able to award a penalty try if he considers a try would "probably" have been scored. "Un-doubtedly", have been scored.

## Most Important

These changes were the most important among the 85 proposed by the Board. The majority were minor amendments, involving the changing of single words or phrases.

Another change concerned binding in the scrum. While previously only the front row forwards were required to bind with the arms, the law now provides that "all other players in a scrum must bind with at least one arm around the body of another player of the same team."

Attention was given to the line-out. Law 20 will prevent a player with the ball in his hand from trying to force his way through players of his own team—not merely forwards as now—but all players. As well as a scrum, a try will be awarded if a player willfully get in front of a teammate who is in possession of the ball, prevent opponents from reaching him.

## Opposing Team

If at a line-out the ball is not properly thrown in, the opposing team will in future have the right either to throw the ball in or to take a scrum ten yards in from the place where the ball went into touch.

The general effect of a number of the alterations is that the advantage rule will be applied in every phase of the game except the kick-off and the throw-in from touch.

An addition to Law 5, which forbids players wearing dangerous projections like rings, buckles, bracelets, states "shoulder pads are prohibited unless the referee is satisfied that a player requires protection following injury and that the protective pad is not of hard material." China Mail Special.

## Italy Wins

Triangular World Bridge Contest

Come, Feb. 3. Italy won the World Bridge Championships here today by beating the United States by 200 to 174 points in the triangular contest.

The United States was second and Argentina third.

The United States defeated the Argentina 255 points to 193. —France-Press.

## Far East Land Forces Rugby Competition

Singapore, Feb. 3.

Royal Army Service Corps (Singapore) today won the Far East Land Forces Rugby competition when they beat the defending champions, King's Own Scottish Borderers (Malaya), by eight points to five.

RASC points came from a try and a converted try, and KOSB points from one converted try. The Scotsmen were leading 5-0 at half time, and had things largely their own way in the second half, until the RASC winger Connan Carey made two spectacular breaks.

Carey gained possession from a tackle in his own 25, and ran 80 yards to score between the posts and give his side an easy conversion.

Two minutes later, with KOSB again attacking, Carey snatched the ball from an intercept, and went over the KOSB line near the corner flag—Router.

## WORLD CUP

## Israel And Wales Start Training At Cardiff

London, Feb. 3.

The Israeli team started training at Cardiff today for its return match against Wales in the qualifying round of the World Football Cup on February 8.

Wales beat Israel two to nil in their first match at Tel Aviv.

Team Manager Colonel Sochar said, "In theory, Wales should win but I do not believe in theoretical football."

Wales also started training but without their star centre-half John Charles.

The Welsh International who now plays for Italy's "Juventus" is scheduled to arrive here later today. —France-Press.

## Scottish FA Second Round Draw

Glasgow, Feb. 3.

The draw for the Scottish Football Association Cup Second Round, made today, was as follows:

Queen's Park v Fraserburgh; Hearts v Albion; Rangers; Raith Rovers v Dundee; Ayr United or St Mirren v Dunfermline Athletic; Dundee United v Hibernian; Third Lanark v Lossiemouth; Clyde v Arbroath; Inverness Caledonian v Stenhousemuir; Motherwell v Partick Thistle; Celtic v Stirling Albion; Kilmarnock v Vale of Leithen; Forfar Athletic v Rangers; Falkirk v St Johnstone; Brechin City or Montrose v Buckie Thistle; Morton v Aberdeen; Queen of the South v Stranraer. Matches will be played on Saturday, February 15. —Reuter.



## I CANNOT RESIST THE CHALLENGE TO SAVE MILLWALL FROM THE FOURTH DIVISION

Says JIMMY SEED

London. A old friend from London told me the other day: "I don't know whether to congratulate you or kick you in the teeth." "I think you must be crazy to come back as a League manager —to throw yourself overboard when you were paddling away comfortably in your dinghy as a chief scout." But at least he gave me credit for having a go. That's how it's been all the time since Millwall announced I would be their new manager.

Nobody can understand why I should choose to leave a good job in the background with Bristol City to take over trying to save Millwall from the Fourth Division.

Even my wife feels I must be a little crazy. So I had better explain why I should do this at 62.

There's no disguising the fact. I was all in mentally and physically when I left Charlton. Let's say I didn't sleep well at nights and leave it at that.

But I never lost my love of football and I felt I still had something to contribute to the game.

The first few weeks away from the cares of League manager-

ship were like heaven. Charlton were good to me financially and I played golf and relaxed.

And then the chance of joining Bristol City as chief scout cropped up and I was completely happy.

I had the best of both worlds. I was in the game and yet I was not directly responsible to a board of directors for every Saturday's result.

Way Of Life

That way of life might have continued indefinitely for me but for the departure of City's manager Pat Bradley. While City waited before appointing a new manager, I was asked to look after the team.

What's that old saying about a warhorse scenting battle again? There I was the other week—making team changes, experimenting, having a go just the way I had done for so many years.

There was the possibility of my staying with Bristol as a long-term caretaker manager. And, strangely, the prospect pleased me.

I felt years younger. No strain at all as I wanted to feel the old pressures and taste the joys of victory once in a while.

I had thought about that Millwall job ever since it became vacant. And after nearly a quarter of a century as manager of Charlton the prospect of again taking over a London club was of course at the back of my mind.

No Illusions

The old Monday I had a call from Millwall's chairman, Mickey Furrer. We went to lunch and talked it over (the Millwall ground is barely five miles from my home).

I said I was willing to have a crack at getting them away from the Fourth Division.

I'm under no illusions. Millwall's results over the last few months have been disappointing. But it is the challenge I find quite irresistible.

The challenge to show I'm not just a has-been, to show I can still pull a trick or two. That's what matters most.

I'm not under any fancy contract. There's no cash ball—no security—just the satisfaction of taking on a tough job.

Yes, well, so many people start to take it easy in their 60's

## Women's World Speed Skating Championship

Sweden, Feb. 3.

The Soviet Union will have a team of five in the Women's World Speed Skating Championship, which will be held at Kristinehamn, on Saturday and Sunday.

Other nations represented by the 27 competitors are Australia, China, East Germany, Japan, Holland, Norway, Poland, United States, and Sweden. —Reuter.

## Commonwealth Air Force Rugby Team For Borneo

Singapore, Feb. 3.

A Commonwealth Air Force Rugby team will leave this month for a five-day tour of Borneo.

The team is made up from airmen serving with the Royal Air Force, the Royal Australian Air Force, and the Royal New Zealand Air Force in Singapore. —Reuter.

## NOTICE

## HONG KONG OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE SOCIETY

The Annual Cricket Match of the above Society is to be held at the Hong Kong Cricket Club on Sunday, 16th February at 12 Noon.

Will any member of either University not necessarily a member of the Society who wishes to play please inform one of the following:

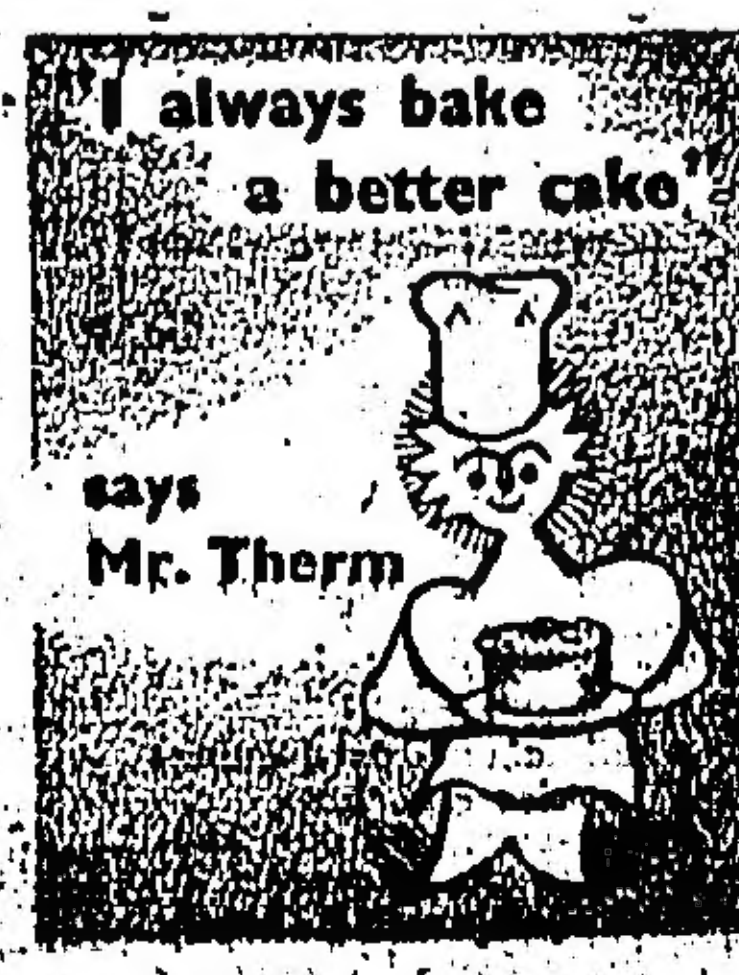
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## Did Hongkong Lose A Friend?

### PI Negotiating With Vietnam For Rice

Manila, Feb. 4.  
The Philippines will negotiate an agreement with the Republic of Vietnam for the barter of local copra for Vietnamese rice, it was reported today.  
President Carlos P. Garcia had directed Mariano Espelleta, Ambassador in Saigon, to "explore" the possibility of negotiating on a government to government level a multi-million barter agreement on the crops.  
The Malacanang Palace instructions followed the abrupt withdrawal on Monday of an offer by a private Hongkong firm to exchange 50,000 tons of rice for some 30,000 tons of Philippine copra.

#### SCANDAL

The Philippine deal with the firm in the Colony became a national scandal here.  
A bipartisan group in the Senate and Filipino business circles expressed concern that the rice might be coming from China.

Despite the withdrawal of the Hongkong firm from the controversial transaction, Senator Mariano Cuenco, Chairman of the Senate Blue Ribbon Committee, announced he would expose alleged anomalous circumstances of the deal today.

#### SPECIFIC DETAILS

President Garcia decided to initiate negotiations with Vietnam after Mr. Espelleta had reported that the country had enough rice to supply the Philippine needs.  
Earlier, the Foreign Secretary, Felixberto Soriano, cabled Mr. Espelleta to submit as soon as possible specific details of the projected barter agreement.  
The Philippines has an acute rice shortage.—United Press.

### Police Chief Goes On Trial

London, Feb. 3.  
Brighton Police Chief Charles Ridge went on trial at the Old Bailey Court here with four of his colleagues today on charges of accepting bribes.  
Ridge and his colleagues were sent for trial by the Brighton Magistrates' Court in November.  
Some 60 witnesses are to be called and 13 lawyers will represent the accused.  
Public interest in the trial is running high, especially as England is a country where the police have the reputation of being above corruption.  
Several hundred people queued for five hours to make sure of seats at the opening of the trial which is expected to last for three or four weeks.—France-Press.

### LANCASHIRE MAY BE IN STRONGER POSITION TO CUT IMPORTS OF CLOTH

From A Special Correspondent

London, Feb. 3.  
There is a feeling in some circles that when Mr. Thorneycroft left the Government recently, Hongkong lost a good friend; and that Lancashire was left in a slightly stronger position in its bid to cut down the over increasing flow of grey cloth from India, Hongkong and Pakistan.

The Financial Times recently published the report of a special correspondent on the outlook for the cotton industry in 1958. One paragraph said: "Mr. Thorneycroft's departure from the Government has raised some hopes (that Commonwealth grey cloth imports will be limited). As President of the Board of Trade, he was the industry's most unimpeachable adversary in the contest over duty free imports."

#### No Comment

I tackled the Board of Trade about this but after mulling it over for a couple of hours, they decided not to comment and added that the policy on the entry of duty free Commonwealth imports was unchanged.

This, of course, does not refute the point made by the Financial Times correspondent who added: "These are minority opinions. Most members of the industry—and certainly those who have ever taken part in negotiations with the Government—are too chastened by the failure of innumerable missions to Whitehall to expect any change in official attitudes now."

Many in Lancashire still hope that the failure of Sir Cuthbert Clegg's mission last year to persuade India, Hongkong and Pakistan to limit their exports to Britain voluntarily will force the Government to take action independently.  
But this is likely to meet opposition from the finishers who see Commonwealth imports of grey cloth as the "only available means" of keeping their plants in operations.

The announcement saying France "would honour" such agreements came in a Finance Ministry statement issued here, it specified that such a lifting of exchange controls would concern only "basic products," however.

#### SPIKED FEARS

The Ministry statement also spiked fears that France might keep tight controls on all imports by stating that no import ceilings would be placed on either raw materials or fuels in 1958.

France's assurance to the 16 other OEEC nations was issued close on the heels of news that the nation had been granted US\$455,250,000 in foreign loans and credits.  
It was believed to reflect government optimism about the French economic picture and ability of French industry to withstand increased foreign competition.

The Finance Ministry statement pointed out, however, that the loans would not bring a let-up in the Government's stringent internal economy programme.—United Press.

His successor, Sir David Eccles, is said to be noticeably more sympathetic to (Lancashire's) problems and now that Mr. Thorneycroft has left the Government altogether, Sir David's sympathy may well increase.

And there is the risk that Hongkong, India and Pakistan cloth will find its way into Europe to the detriment of Lancashire's own exports.  
There are some who think the Free Trade Area project will, if adopted, be "the straw that broke the camel's back." Lancashire, in this instance, being the camel.

Employment in the spinning and weaving industry has already fallen from 288,000 in 1953, to 242,000 last year (though in the spinning section, employment rose last year for the first time for four years).  
According to one economic survey, if Britain joins Europe in the Free Trade scheme, a further fall of 30 to 35 per cent is possible.

But there are others like Mr. W. A. Grieson, formerly chairman of an associate company of the Tootal group, who said the "advance toward a free trade area should cause no apprehension to efficient firms."  
Employment, he said, is a secondary consideration, but the spot convinces us that we can look forward to increasing our exports to Europe.

But Commonwealth imports and free trade in Europe are not the only problems that are responsible for the mood of pessimism felt in many sections of the industry. Another is the steady fall in the number of firms in the weaving section, mostly family concerns and many mechanically backward which poses a threat that the industry may become unbalanced in the next few years.

Warning  
And there was the warning note recently sounded by Sir Alfred Roberts, General Secretary of the Cardroom Operators: "If the present trend continues, 1958 will prove to be the first year in Lancashire history when imports of cloth exceeded exports."

Exports have fallen from 589 million square yards in 1953 to 380 million square yards in 1957 (both are 10 months figures) whereas during the same period imports have risen from 78 million square yards to 353 million.

There is another major question: the minimum price agreement operated by the spinners which was referred to the Restrictive Practices Court last May and will be examined and judged upon later this year.  
The scheme is widely regarded as an "indispensable source of stability," reports the Financial Times, and it is safe to say that an adverse judgment would be deplored almost as much by the unions as by the manufacturers and by some of the weavers as well as by the spinners themselves.

#### Justification

Hongkong may, with some justification, claim that its share of exports to Britain is relatively small (between one quarter and one fifth of total Commonwealth supplies), and that criticism from Britain has been out of all proportion to the extent of its exports, but there seems little doubt that the campaign against Commonwealth cloth temporarily in abeyance, will flare up at the first sign of any new pressure on Lancashire—and this time with a better prospect of success than at any time in the past.

### HOW TO CAPTURE ASIAN HEARTS

Los Angeles, Feb. 3.  
Mr. D. S. Saund, member of the United States House of Representatives who was born in India, declared here today that the country must supplement foreign aid with a well-financed public relations programme if the United States wished to capture the hearts and minds of people in Asia.

He recently returned to the United States after a 10-week tour of American foreign aid programmes in Asia and the Middle East and today he told the World Affairs Council here: "For too long have we been lethargic in Asia."  
"If we are going to give \$250,000,000 in aid to a nation, I favour \$20,000,000, if necessary, being spent to acquaint the Asians with our way of life. Otherwise we won't accomplish anything."

#### CONVINCED

On his tour of Japan, the Philippines, Indonesia, Vietnam, India and Pakistan, Mr. Saund said he spoke to all who would listen, because he was convinced that people in those countries mis-understood the United States just as Americans often mis-understand them.  
Referring to segregation in the United States, Mr. Saund said that man's injustice to man was a problem for the whole world and that segregation was fast coming to an end.

He referred to his own election to Congress in California in 1950. "I received resistance because I was a Democrat, but not one because I was born in India and had a dark skin," he declared.  
Mr. Saund said that his American wife and daughter received as much respect in India as he did.—Reuter.

### WHICH ARE THE REAL COSSACKS? Red Or White

London, Feb. 3.  
An embarrassment of Cossacks—normally as rare in London as Cockneys in Red Square—was plaguing showman Mr. Victor Hochhauser today.

His Cossack troupe stems from the fact that two kinds of Cossacks—one Red from Russia, one White from the United States—are to be in London at the same time.  
Next week, Mr. Hochhauser brings to London the Ukrainian State Cossack Company of 100 dancers from the USSR for a two-week season at the Royal Albert Hall.

#### VISIT CLASHES

Their visit clashes with a tour of British theatres by the Don Cossack Chorus and Dancers, an American company made up of White Russians, some of whom fled Russia after the revolution.  
Mr. Hochhauser claims his Cossacks are the only ones who can call themselves "Cossacks" because they come from the right region of Russia. Many of the "Don Cossacks" are American citizens.

"I have seriously considered applying for a high court injunction restraining the American company from using the title 'Cossack' but have been advised that it is unlikely it would be granted," he said tonight.—China Mail Special.

#### H-Bomb Statement

London, Feb. 3.  
Acting Prime Minister R. A. Butler told the House of Commons today that he hoped to make a statement about aircraft carrying H-bombs over Britain tomorrow.—United Press.

### SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Oh, some students come in here all year to do reference work—but it isn't always books they study in spring!"

### RADIO-ACTIVE PEBBLES NOT HARMFUL

London, Feb. 3.  
The Nature Conservancy here tonight denied that experiments, in which scientists used radio-active pebbles to study erosion at a Suffolk beach, endangered members of the public.

### EUROPEAN SERIOUSLY INJURED

Three persons, including a European motor cyclist, were injured in traffic accidents yesterday.

Mr. J. R. Saffren, aged 45, of Messrs Butterfield and Swire, sustained serious injuries when his motor cycle collided with a pedestrian, 22-year-old Len Wing-loong, residing at No. 372, The Peak, outside the Colonial Secretariat Building in Garden Road at about 2.30 p.m.  
Both men have been admitted to Queen Mary Hospital for treatment.  
A two-year-old girl, Yan Yuk-lan, living at No. 16, Caine Road, ground floor, was knocked down by a private car at about 1 p.m. shortly after midnight.  
The girl was admitted to Queen Mary Hospital in a serious condition.

### Thefts From Packed Cars

A carton of cigarettes and a lady's scarf, together valued at about \$50, were stolen from a private car parked in Nathan Road, near the Princess Theatre, between 6.40 p.m. and 9.15 p.m. yesterday.

A man has been arrested on suspicion of having stolen some wool and fruit from a private car in Stanley Street at about 4 p.m. on Sunday.

### Fell From Train

A woman, 52-year-old Lul Wai-yam, sustained fatal injuries when she fell from a train near Lower Station at about 1 p.m. yesterday. The woman died about an hour later as she was being taken to hospital in an ambulance.

A fountain pen was stolen from a Chinese pedestrian whilst he was walking in Tung Tau Village Road at about 10 o'clock yesterday morning.

### DEATH OF PROMINENT ARCHITECT

Mr G. G. Wood, a prominent citizen of the Colony, who had contributed much to the early development of Hongkong in the past 50 years, died at the French Hospital this morning.

In his half a century of residence here, Mr. Wood, a retired architect, had helped to build many of the large buildings in central district.  
Mr. Wood, who had not been in the best of health for the past several months, was 77.  
Mr. Wood arrived in Hongkong from Brandon, Suffolk, on Christmas Eve, 1903, in his early twenties. He joined Messrs Leigh and Orange. He became a partner of the concern in 1915 and retired from active business in 1954. Since then he was the firm's consultant.

#### EARLY DAYS

Mr. Wood was associated with the designing and building of many prominent buildings in Hongkong, such as Gloucester Building, Windsor House and Edinburgh House.  
In his early days with the firm, he helped to build most of the other buildings belonging to the Hongkong Land Investment Co. Ltd. He also assisted in building the Hongkong Electric Company's old plant house at North Point, the Dairy Farm cold storage plant and the old Star Ferry Company wharves.

For many years, Mr. Wood was an enthusiastic member of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, (the forerunner of the present Royal Hongkong Defence Force) and was serving with the Engineer Company during the Japanese attack in 1941.  
On capitulation of the Colony, he was interned in Shamshuipo and later in Argyle Street POW camp. He held the Volunteer Decoration for long and efficient service.

#### FREEMASON

A prominent Freemason, he had been Past District Grand Master, EC (1931), a Past Master of Perseverance Lodge, EC (1919); a member of Victoria Preceptory and Priory; and was a Past Provincial Prior of China.

He was also a keen yachtsman and was Vice-Commander of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club in 1941.  
At the time of his death, he was an Unofficial Justice of the Peace and was once a Commissioner of the St. George's Society.

The funeral will be held tomorrow, the cortege passing the Monument at 5 p.m.

### Enough Might To Discourage Aggression . . . Twining

Washington, Feb. 3.  
United States Air Force General Nathan Twining, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said today that he was convinced the United States at present had enough military power to discourage any attempt at Soviet aggression.

Testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, General Twining said that if the Soviet Union were foolish enough to start a war against the "free world," the United States had enough reprisal power to devastate Communist territory and to emerge victorious from the war.

#### TESTIMONY

General Twining's three-hour testimony began a Senate investigation aimed at establishing whether present American foreign policy is effective or should be modified.  
The report, part of which was heard behind closed doors, is to be published later in expurgated form.

Two committee members, Democratic Senator William Fulbright and Republican Senator Homer Capehart, said that General Twining had stressed the need to improve America's scientific education programme.—France-Press.

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—apologies for the closed doors yesterday—but again, it just could not have been avoided.

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